



BAMC's

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BRAC Moves!

August 30

From BAMC Medical Library, Lower Level to BAMC, 3rd Floor Medical Mall

August 30

From Wilford Hall Medical Center Neonatal Intensive Care Unit to BAMC, 5th Floor

September 6

From WHMC Labor, Delivery, and Post Partum Units Center to BAMC, 5th Floor

September 12

From WHMC Hospital Dentistry and Prosthodontics to BAMC, 3rd Floor Medical Mall

September 14

BRAC Press Conference at Fort Sam Houston

September 16

San Antonio Military Health System Press Conference

October 7

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for SAMMC Consolidated Tower

SAMMC growing into new tower

Brooke Army Medical Center and Wilford Hall Medical Center integration will soon be completed and the move-in has begun into the new 760,000-square-foot tower.

On Sept. 15, the medical facility currently known as BAMC will transition to San Antonio Military Medical Center or SAMMC and Wilford Hall Medical Center will change its name to Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center or WHASC.

Within the Department of Defense, SAMMC will become the largest inpatient hospital and WHASC will be the largest ambulatory surgical medical center. Construction has begun on a new WHASC and projected to be completed in 2015.

"This integration will bring talented staff from both units and each other's best practices to create an integrated health sys-

tem that is the envy of military and civilian healthcare organizations across the nation," said Maj. Gen. M. Ted Wong, commander of BAMC and Southern Regional Medical Command.

SAMMC will offer:

- 425 staffed inpatient beds (116 ICU beds, 309 ward beds)
- 32 operating rooms for inpatients and ambulatory surgery
- Level 1 Trauma/Emergency Room
- Medical, pediatric and surgical subspecialty clinics
- Primary care
- Labor/delivery/recovery
- Adult, neonatal and pediatric intensive care

- Bone marrow transplant unit and hematology/oncology clinic
- Cardio-Vascular, Maternal-child, Battlefield Health and Trauma Centers of Excellence

WHASC will offer:

- Primary care
- Outpatient surgery
- 24/7 urgent care for trainees and beneficiaries
- Medical, pediatric and surgical subspecialty clinics
- Diabetes, Hearing and Eye Centers of Excellence
- Contingency Aero-medical Staging Facility

MISSION

Effectively and efficiently promote health and provide quality healthcare to eligible patients, while preparing future healthcare leaders to do the same within the full spectrum of military medical operations.

VISION

Develop and maintain patient trust by being available, accessible and accountable.



The new 760,000-square-foot Consolidated Tower

Frequently asked Questions about BRAC

What is SAMHS?

San Antonio Military Health System—the newly created office that provides oversight of the 59th Medical Wing and Brooke Army Medical Center organizations to optimize readiness, effectiveness, and efficiencies of the direct and private sector care network systems in the greater San Antonio area as executed by service component authorities.

How is the command structured?

The two independently governed and operated military treatment facilities, SAMMC and WHASC, will continue to be commanded by an Army and an Air Force general officer, respectively. Air Force Maj. Gen. Byron Hepburn is the first director of SAMHS, and Army Maj. Gen. Ted Wong is deputy director. The positions will rotate services every two years. Both healthcare facilities will be staffed with Army and Air Force personnel.

What is SAMMC?

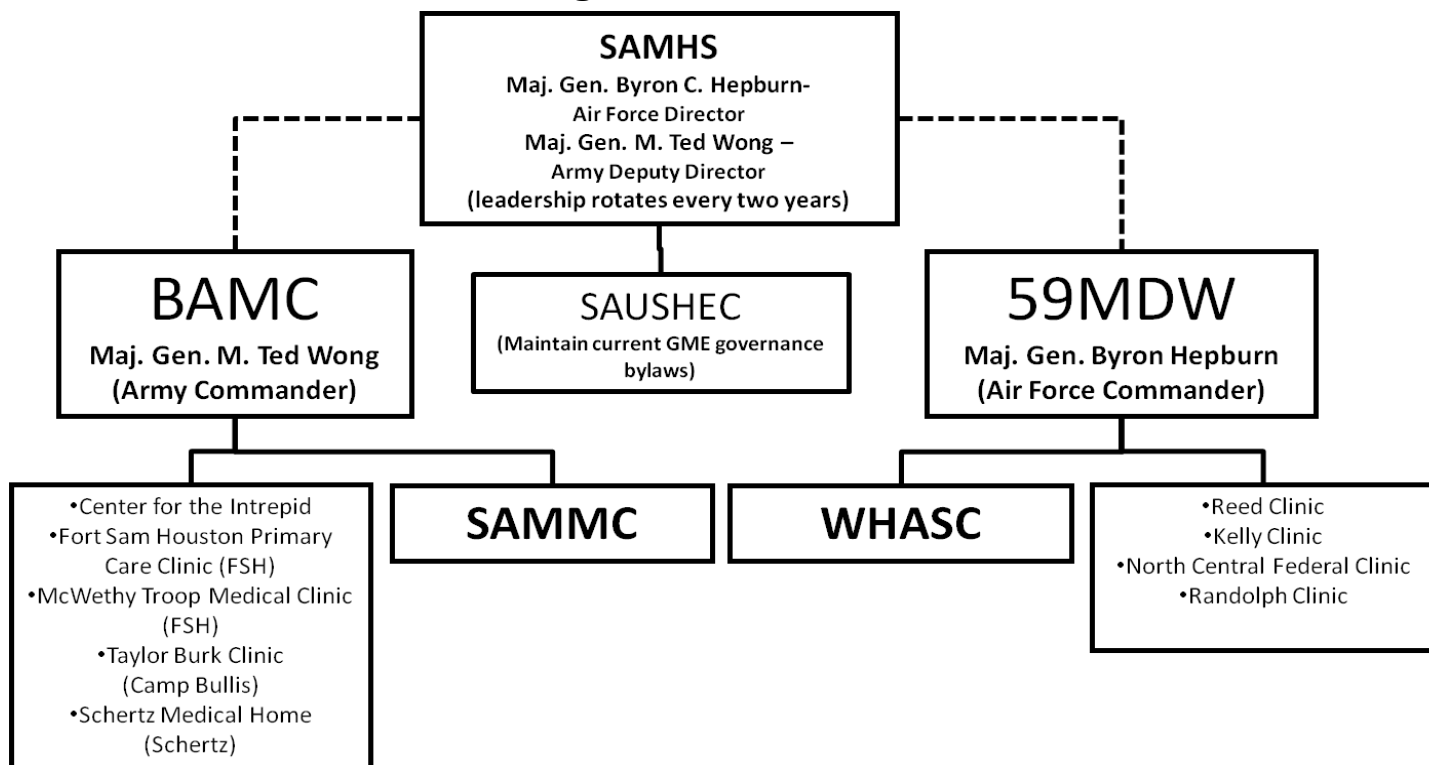
Although, the building will be renamed the San Antonio Military Medical Center, it will remain an Army hospital under the command of BAMC which will still provide governance to other Army clinics in San Antonio such as the Fort Sam Houston Primary Care Clinic, Taylor Burk Clinic, and the Schertz Medical Home.

What happens on Sept. 15?

As mandated by Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Law, this is the deadline for the transition of all inpatients from WHMC to BAMC, which has been occurring incrementally during the past 18 months. On this date, the two medical facilities will undergo historic name changes, marking the start of a new era in San Antonio military medicine. The medical facility currently known as BAMC will transition to San Antonio Military Medical Center (SAMMC) and WHMC will change its name to Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center (WHASC).

For more information about BRAC, click on <http://www.bamc.amedd.army.mil/brac.asp>

Organizational Chart



SAMHS: San Antonio Military Health System

BAMC: Brooke Army Medical Center

59MDW: 59th Medical Wing

SAUSHEC: San Antonio Uniformed Services
Health Education Consortium

SAMMC: San Antonio Military Medical Center

WHASC: Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center